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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
RIDET, et al.

Application No.: 09/868,026

Filed: January 11, 2002

Title: HUMAN ADULT ASTROCYTES,  
THEIR PREPARATION AND USES  
THEREOF

Examiner: NICHOLS, Christopher J.

Art Unit: 1647

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of June 30, 2003. A request for a one-month extension of time and the required fee accompany this amendment, extending the period of reply to and including today, October 30, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment necessitated by this amendment to Deposit Account No. 18-1982.

In response to the Office Action of June 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.